

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Modern medicine offers patients and their  
3 families new hope to treat diseases and conditions that  
4 formerly were untreatable; and

5 WHEREAS, New medicines allow doctors to offer patients  
6 choices in their recovery from serious illness or injury, in  
7 suppressing symptoms, and improving the quality and enjoyment  
8 of life for those with chronic conditions; and

9 WHEREAS, Patients and their families must be able to  
10 trust that the doctor is acting with the highest professional  
11 and ethical standards in recommending a treatment for the  
12 patient's disease or condition; and

13 WHEREAS, Prior authorization requirements and  
14 restrictions on drug choice disrupt the clinical relationship  
15 between doctor and patient and cause doctors, pharmacists,  
16 patients and their families to waste time, money, and worry;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Appeals mechanisms delay treatment and cause  
19 patients and their families anxiety about whether they are  
20 receiving the medical care the doctor thinks is best or only  
21 the medical care that their health plan will allow;  
22 therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
24 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
25 we support legislation to prohibit prior authorization  
26 requirements, formularies, financial incentives, and other  
27 impediments that attempt to control the doctor's  
28 recommendation and patient's choice of a particular drug or  
29 course of treatment to meet the patient's needs; and be it  
30 further

31 RESOLVED, That we support legislation in other states

1 based on the same premise of allowing doctors to make the  
2 appropriate recommendation for prescription drugs based on  
3 patient's needs.